

**MINUTES OF AN REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance Cultural Arts Commission convened in a regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 25, 2013 in the West Annex meeting room, Torrance City Hall.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Korman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Candioly, Endo-Roberts, Frangos,  
Korman, Miranda, and Chairperson Bunting.

Absent: Commissioner Rische.

Also Present: Cultural Services Manager Rappoport.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Endo-Roberts moved to grant Commissioner Rische an excused absence for the February 25, 2013 Commission meeting. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

**4. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Miranda moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Candioly seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**5A. MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2013**

Commissioner Endo-Roberts offered a correction as follows: Page 3, Item 12, **MOTION:** "At 7:40 p.m., Commissioner Endo-Roberts moved to adjourn the meeting..."

**MOTION:** Commissioner Candioly moved for the approval of the January 28, 2013 Commission meeting minutes as amended. Commissioner Korman seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval (absent Commissioner Rische).

**6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1**

None.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7A. ASSIGN COMMISSIONERS TO STANDING COMMITTEES AND APPOINT CHAIRS**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport reviewed current assignments on the Commission's three standing committees and requested that Commissioners consider any changes they would like to make. Following a brief discussion, assignments were made as follows:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Committee Chair</u>	<u>Committee Members</u>
Excellence in Arts	Candioty	Korman, Rische
Facilities	Korman	Candioty, Miranda
Grant Review	Bunting	Frangos, Endo-Roberts

**MOTION:** Commissioner Miranda moved to approve assignments to the Excellence in Arts, Facilities, and Grant Review Committees. Commissioner Korman seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval (absent Commissioner Rische).

**7B. REVIEW COMMUNITY ARTS GRANT GUIDELINES AND TIMELINE**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport presented the annual grant application, guidelines, and projected timeline and requested that Commissioners review them before they are sent out. She noted that, except for date updates, no changes were made from last year.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Endo-Roberts moved to approve the grant application, guidelines and timetable as presented. Commissioner Candioty seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval (absent Commissioner Rische).

**7C. NEW PROGRAMS AT THE TORRANCE ART MUSEUM**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport reported that staff has hired a part time Event Coordinator, Lisa DeSmidt, whose responsibilities include coordinating events and rentals as well as making sure that local publications and calendars receive announcements about TAM events. She shared information about three successful events at TAM on February 9: a live sculpture demonstration, a panel discussion, and an author presentation. She discussed the new Docent Training Program, led by Dr. Scott Frank, which is designed to teach docents about art, museums, and museum visitors and will include workshops, walk-throughs, potlucks, and excursions. She expressed hope that through these efforts more people will be introduced to TAM.

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

**8A. UPDATE ON CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport distributed fliers and discussed plans for the March 9, 2013 Cherry Blossom Cultural Festival at Columbia Park. She expressed appreciation to Commissioner Frangos for providing the food truck contact and recognized sponsors that include Torrance Sister City Association, North Torrance Homeowner's Association, and the Buddhist Association for Peace, Culture, and

Education. She announced that artists from Torrance Craftsmen's Guild would exhibit and sell work and Soka Gakkai International would present a Gandhi, King, Ikeda exhibition.

**9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**9A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS**

No report.

**9B. FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport reported that Land Concern is in the process of developing an accurate cost estimate for Phase 1 and 2 for the Wilson Park Amphitheatre project.

**9C. GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

No report.

**10. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Cultural Services Manager Rappoport noted that the Cultural Services Division Report for January 2013 was included in agenda packets. She distributed fliers for Torrance Theatre Company's production of "12 Angry Men" on March 1 – 30, 2013, and announced that the summer musical will be "Willy Wonka." She stated that on February 26 John Powers would be asking City Council to waive fees for the Nakano Theatre for the April, May, and June "Works in Progress" series that will focus on the Korean community.

She stated that four responses have been received for the Marketing Request for Proposal that would look at ways to maximize enrollment and revenue in classes as well as rentals in all Cultural Arts Center facilities. She stated that last week she attended the California Association of Museum Conference in Santa Barbara and enjoyed workshops on programming and volunteers. She shared information about a Los Angeles County Museum of Art project that provides a traveling modular structure that shows film screenings in various cities in Los Angeles County. She stated that they looked at several City locations and expressed interest in setting it up at El Prado Park for three weeks.

**11. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2**

**11A.** Commissioner Korman stated that she enjoyed "Oklahoma" and is looking forward to seeing "12 Angry Men."

**11B.** Commissioner Endo-Roberts stated that she attended Tom Rische's memorial and graveside service and shared a wonderful day she and her son spent with him at Madrona Marsh.

**11C.** Commissioner Candioly discussed visits to a jazz museum, National Negro Baseball Museum, and Changing Gallery in Kansas City, Missouri.

**11D.** Commissioner Miranda stated that he enjoyed visiting the City of Orange, the Greyhound Festival in Solvang, and the Pan African Art Festival.

**11E.** Commissioner Frangos stated that she enjoyed songwriter M. Ward and visiting Bergamot Station.

**11F.** Chairperson Bunting stated that she attended a book fair at MOCA and enjoyed an exhibit at Orange County Museum of Art.

**11G.** Cultural Services Manager Rappoport announced an AB1234 Ethics Training on February 27, 2013.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** At 7:53 p.m., Commissioner Candioly moved to adjourn the meeting to Monday, March 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room at Torrance City Hall. Commissioner Miranda seconded the motion and, hearing no objection, Chairperson Bunting so ordered.

Approved as Submitted March 18, 2013 s/ Sue Herbers, City Clerk
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